

The Bensons

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CAMEROON WEST AFRICA



Dear Supporters, and Praying Partners,

August 2018

We really want to thank everyone for the faithful prayer and support. I (Caleb) was able to make the trip to Cameroon in late July and early August. God blessed the trip, and I was able to see the church remaining faithful amidst the political turmoil in the country. I was joined on this trip by the Africa Director of BIMI, Eric Bohman. Together we were able to encourage the believers, as well as see the current security situation in Buea now.

The current situation in Buea is very unpredictable. The fighting is not necessarily happening in the city of Buea, but it is less than 10 miles away, and moving toward Buea. Some fighting has happened in Buea in the past several weeks, but nothing near our church, or the members of the church. There are 2 dates coming up, that really concern the people of the church, and even others who are not in the church. October 1st is the day that the English population tried to declare Independence last year from the French rule in the English regions. This year the people are saying that on that day it will not be safe for anyone. The other date is October 7th, Election Day for Cameroon to elect a President. There are many things that could happen on this day.

As a result of much prayer, Bible reading, and Godly counsel, we have decided to extend our furlough until the end of October. We are praying that after the Presidential Election things will calm down, and we will be able to return as a family to continue the work in Buea. We were able to secure the land for the church. We have raised more than \$15,000 for the land, and are needing to raise another \$10,000 to finish paying for it. Please pray that we would be able to finish the purchase of this land soon.

During the next couple months we will be visiting more churches to report. I would like to invite any churches in the Eastern States that would like us to come and report please contact me soon. These meetings will be booked on a first come first serve basis. We have already booked some meetings in October in California. So we mainly have the end of August and all of September available for meetings.

While on the trip I contracted Malaria, and the last 2 days I had there were very busy. God gave me strength to get the things accomplished that I needed to do, and to get to the airport on time as well. By the time I arrived back in the US, I was beginning to feel much better. I'm thankful for all those who prayed for me while I was traveling. We had to do a lot of repairs on our car in Cameroon. The repairs came to a total of \$950, but the car is back up and running now.

Please pray for us as we get the girls started on the new school year, and as we visit more churches in the next couple of months. If you have further questions about our extended furlough do not hesitate to call me. My phone number is listed below.

We have new phone numbers. Caleb-903-738-9230 Sarah-520-369-1443

Thank You for your prayers and financial support,

The Benson Family

Caleb Benson ~ Missionary to Cameroon,

Please send support to BIMI, PO Box 9, Harrison, TN 37341, (423)344-5050;

Memo: Benson Family #1459

Building Fund!

Current Balance: \$15,000

Balance needed: \$10,000

Please put "#1459 Building Fund" in the memo line of any donations to be used for the purchase of the land.

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